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# DAREDEVIL





WHEN MATT MURDOCK WAS A KID, HE LOST HIS SIGHT IN AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING A TRUCK CARRYING RADIOACTIVE CHEMICALS. THOUGH HE COULD NO LONGER SEE, THE CHEMICALS HEIGHTENED MURDOCK'S OTHER SENSES AND IMBUED HIM WITH AN AMAZING 360-RADAR SENSE. NOW MATT USES HIS ABILITIES TO FIGHT FOR HIS CITY. HE IS THE *MAN WITHOUT FEAR*. HE IS...

# DAREDEVIL

DAREDEVIL USED TO MENTOR SAM CHUNG, A YOUNG MAN WHO HAD ILLEGALLY IMMIGRATED TO THE U.S. FROM CHINA AS A CHILD. SAM WAS BRILLIANT--HE DESIGNED A SUIT TO MAKE HIMSELF INVISIBLE AND CALLED HIMSELF BLINDSPOT. WITH HIS NEW SUIT, SAM AND DAREDEVIL PATROLLED MANHATTAN TOGETHER, EVEN SAVING SAM'S MOTHER FROM THE GANGSTER KNOWN AS TENFINGERS. BUT BLINDSPOT SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED AFTER HIS EYES WERE RIPPED OUT OF THEIR SOCKETS IN A FIGHT.

AND THEN, JUST AS SUDDENLY, BLINDSPOT RESURFACED: HE SENT A DISTRESS SIGNAL TO MATT, WHO RUSHED TO CHINA TO HELP. BUT IT WAS ALL A TRAP. HELD PRISONER BY NONE OTHER THAN BLINDSPOT HIMSELF IN A FORTRESS BELONGING TO THE HAND, MATT WAS POWERLESS EXCEPT TO LISTEN TO BLINDSPOT'S STORY. HE LEARNED SAM'S EYES WERE RETURNED TO HIM AFTER HIS MOTHER GAVE HER SOUL TO A GROTESQUE CREATURE CALLED THE BEAST.

DETERMINED TO SAVE HER, SAM HAS OFFERED A DIFFERENT SOUL IN EXCHANGE FOR HIS MOTHER'S--DAREDEVIL'S.

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I DIDN'T  
GIVE THE BEAST  
MY SOUL, MR.  
MURDOCK.

He...  
didn't.



CHINA.

It's...it's not  
possible.

Sam Chung would *never*  
do that. He's...he's a  
good kid. My apprentice.



I  
GAVE HIM  
YOURS.

My  
friend.









I AM TONGUE OF THE BEAST. I SPEAK FOR IT.

NOW IT OWNS YOU. YOU ARE... PROPERTY.

NO... I'M NOT. I DIDN'T...



FOR LONG TIME, ENDLESS TIME, DAREDEVIL IS GREAT ENEMY OF ETERNAL HAND CLAN.



WE KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO ENEMIES OF THE HAND. THE BEAST SHOWS US.

EVERY DAY, TO THIS PATHETIC ONE, WHO TRY TO STEAL OUR POWER.

PLEASE...NOT AGAIN...MERCY... MERCY...



AND TENFINGERS IS SMALL ENEMY OF THE HAND. DAREDEVIL IS BIG ENEMY.




WHAT DO YOU THINK BEAST WILL DO...



...TO HIM?





I don't...

I don't  
*hurt*  
anymore.

How the  
hell did...

Hnh.

KRCK

You know  
what?









AAAAAGGGHHH!

THAT'S...  
THAT'S HIM, MOTHER.  
DAREDEVIL.

OF  
COURSE IT IS,  
SAMUEL.



WHAT DID  
YOU THINK THE  
BEAST WAS GOING  
TO DO TO  
HIM?



SOMEHOW,  
AGAINST EVERY  
CHANCE, WE HAVE  
BOTH BARGAINED  
WITH THE BEAST  
AND LIVED.

NOT JUST  
THAT, BUT WE  
HAVE RETAINED  
OUR POWER.



WE  
WON, MY SON--  
AGAINST THE  
BEAST.

DO YOU  
KNOW HOW  
RARE THAT  
IS?





"DAREDEVIL WAS THE PRICE. YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY. IT COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH HIGHER."



DO NOT LOOK BACK. WE NEED TO GO, BEFORE THE BEAST'S EYES LOOK TOWARD US AGAIN.

DON'T LOOK BACK. YEAH. THAT'S WHAT YOU DO, RIGHT?



YOU DO WHATEVER YOU THINK YOU HAVE TO, AND THEN YOU NEVER LOOK BACK, NO MATTER WHO YOU'VE HURT ALONG THE WAY.



YOU'VE JUST DESCRIBED EVERY PERSON IN THE WORLD, SAMUEL.

NO, MOTHER.



"NOT EVERYONE."

HSSK!





THE TIME FOR THOUGHTS LIKE THAT WAS BEFORE YOU SOLD HIM TO THE BEAST.

DAREDEVIL IS THE CAUSE OF ALL OF THIS. IF NOT FOR HIM, YOU WOULD NEVER HAVE LOST YOUR EYES.



"HE GOT WHAT HE DESERVED."



NO.  
NO.

THAT WAS MY CHOICE. EVERYTHING WAS, FROM THE START. BECOMING BLINDSPOT, GOING AFTER MUSE, ALL OF IT.



THWMM



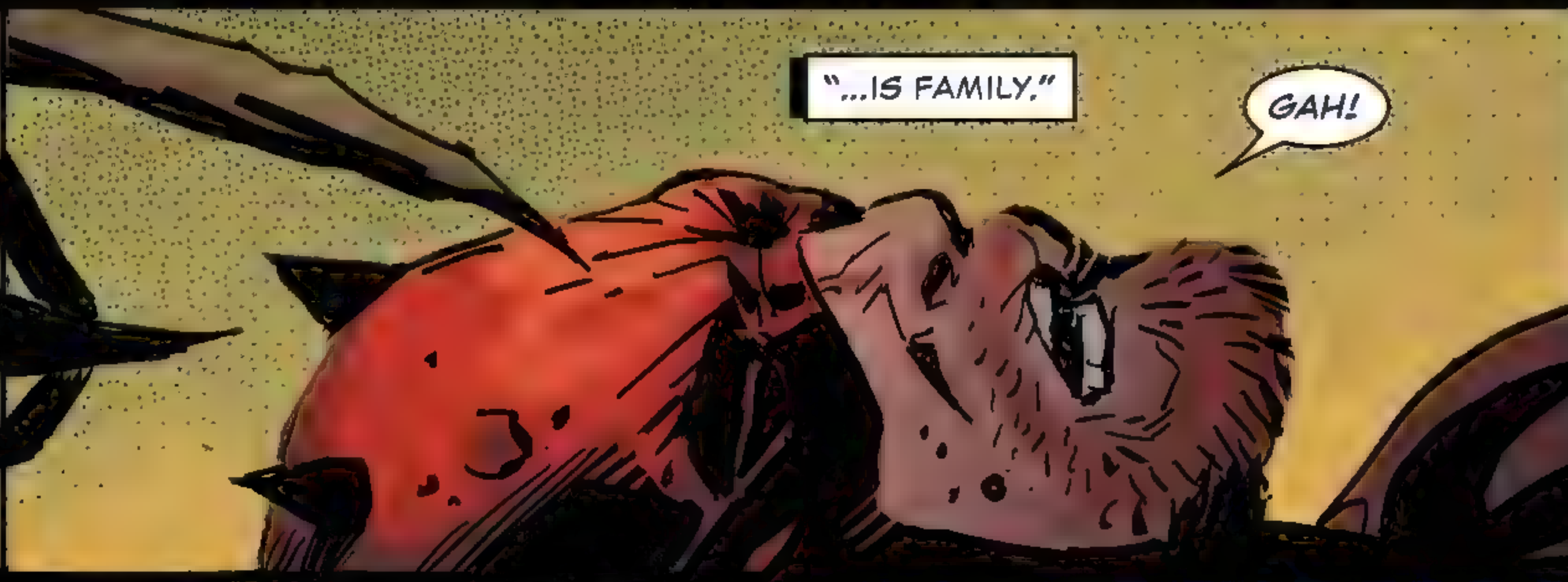
MY LIFE HAS TAUGHT ME TWO THINGS, MY SON.

WHATEVER YOU DO DOES NOT MATTER, BECAUSE THE MOMENT YOU DO IT, IT IS THE PAST.

ALL THAT MATTERS IS WHERE YOUR ACTIONS BRING YOU.

AND SECOND... THE ONE THING THAT DOES MATTER...





"...IS FAMILY."

GAH!

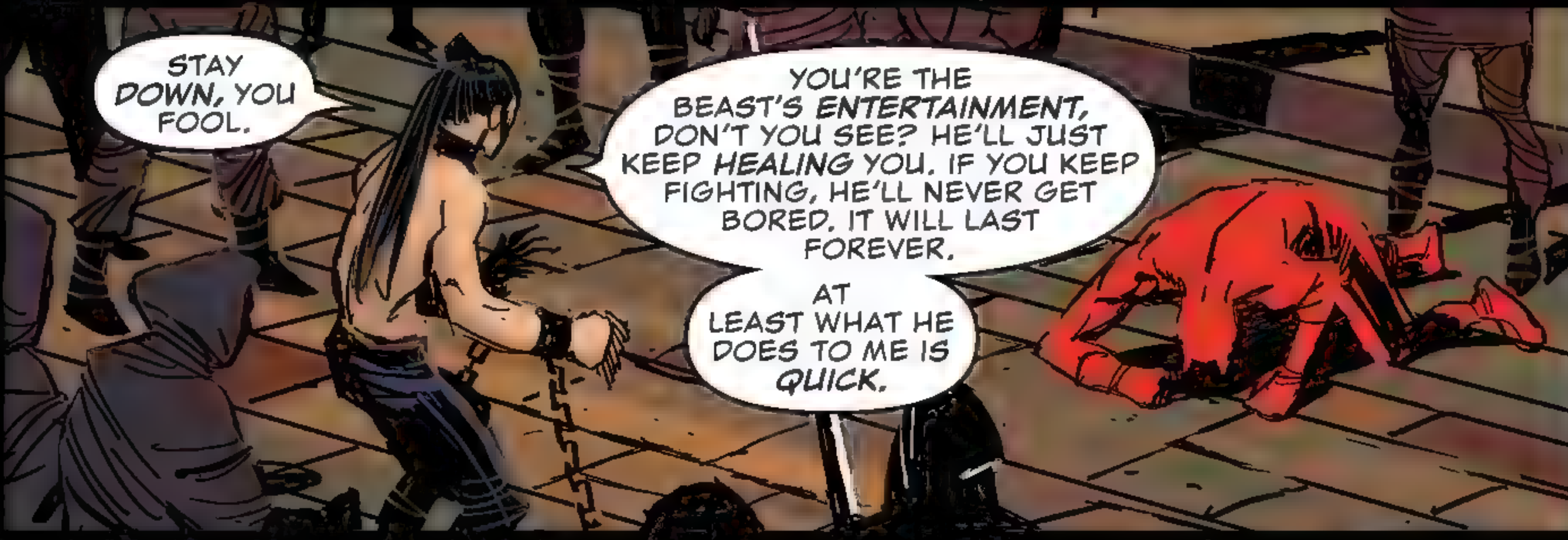


YOU ARE THINKING FOOLISH THOUGHTS. I CAN SEE THEM IN YOUR EYES. THE EYES DAREDEVIL TOOK FROM YOU.

THE EYES I SOLD MY VERY SOUL TO GIVE YOU BACK.

YOU REALLY WANT US TO JUST GO? TO FORGET EVERY EVIL THING WE DID HERE...AND MAYBE, IF WE WANT SOMETHING BAD ENOUGH, DO IT AGAIN?

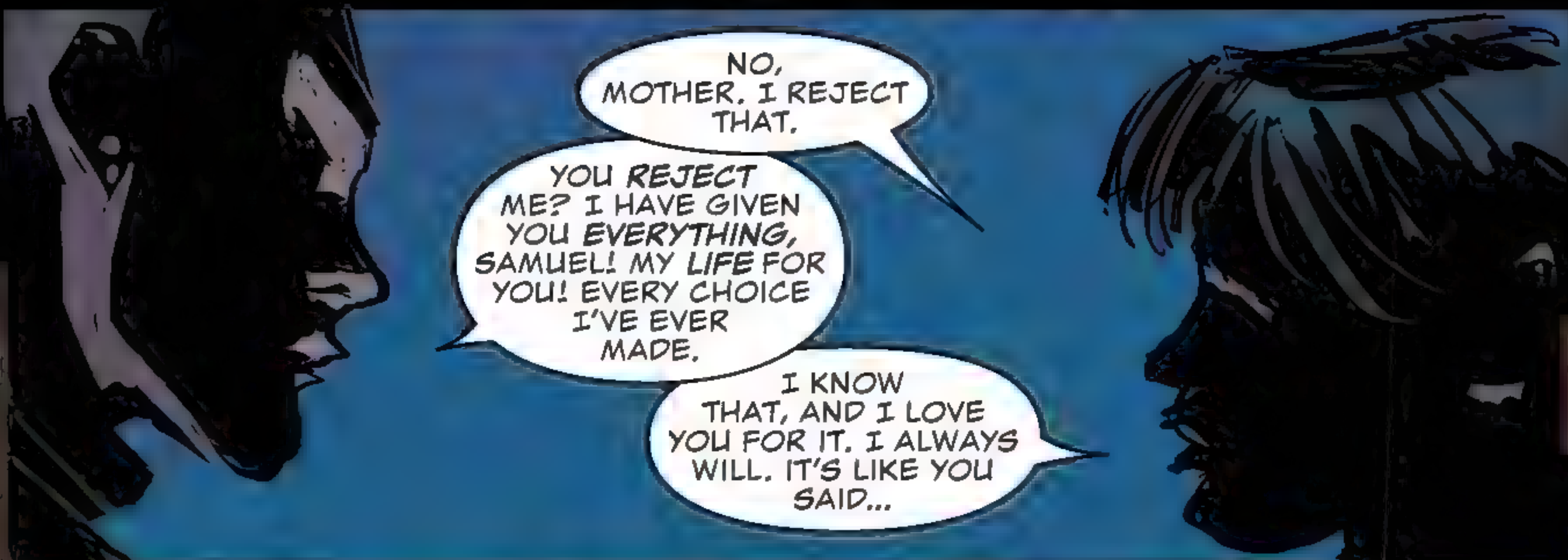
MOVING THROUGH LIFE LIKE SHARKS, PREYING ON ANYONE USEFUL?



STAY DOWN, YOU FOOL.

YOU'RE THE BEAST'S ENTERTAINMENT, DON'T YOU SEE? HE'LL JUST KEEP HEALING YOU. IF YOU KEEP FIGHTING, HE'LL NEVER GET BORED. IT WILL LAST FOREVER.

AT LEAST WHAT HE DOES TO ME IS QUICK.



NO, MOTHER. I REJECT THAT.

YOU REJECT ME? I HAVE GIVEN YOU EVERYTHING, SAMUEL! MY LIFE FOR YOU! EVERY CHOICE I'VE EVER MADE.

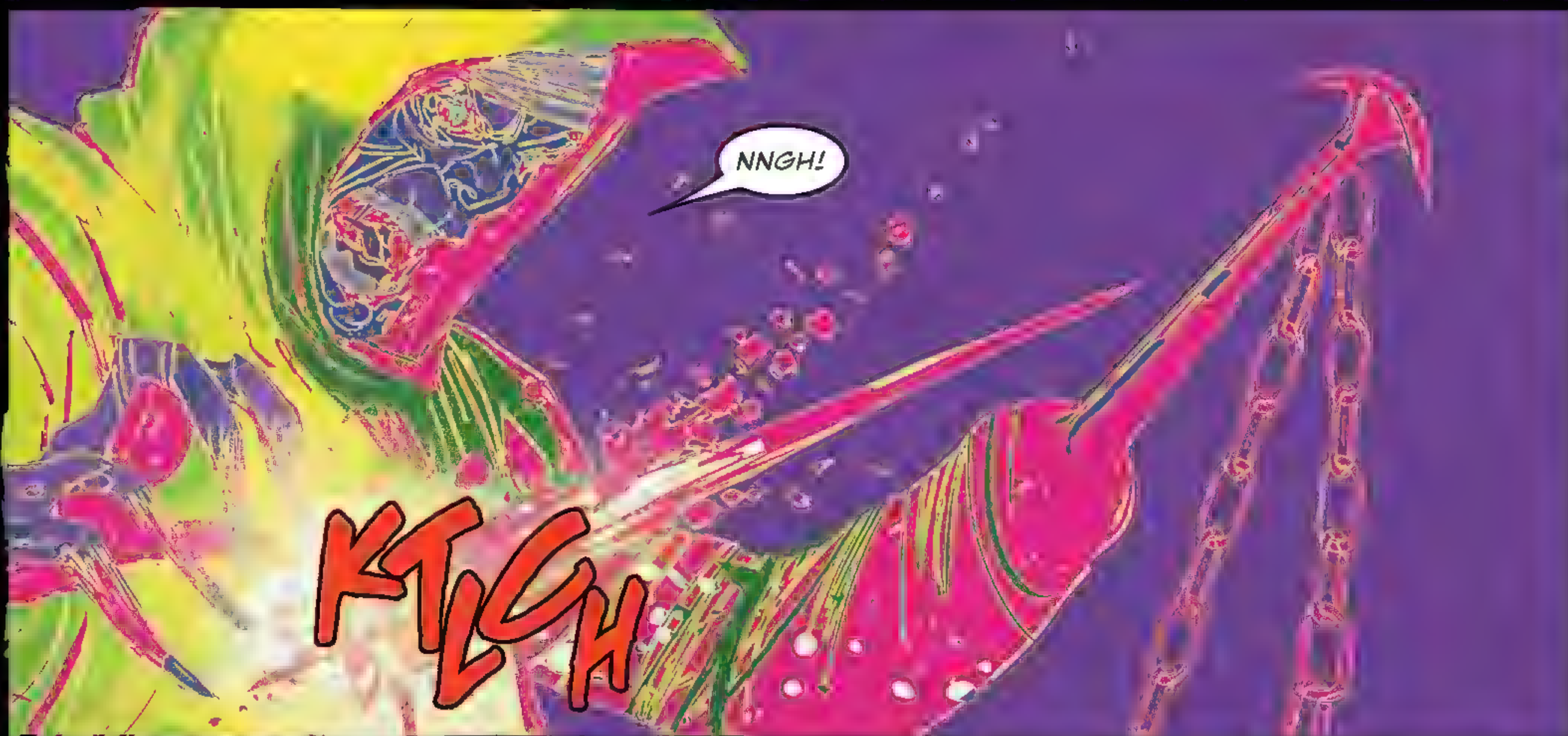
I KNOW THAT, AND I LOVE YOU FOR IT. I ALWAYS WILL. IT'S LIKE YOU SAID...



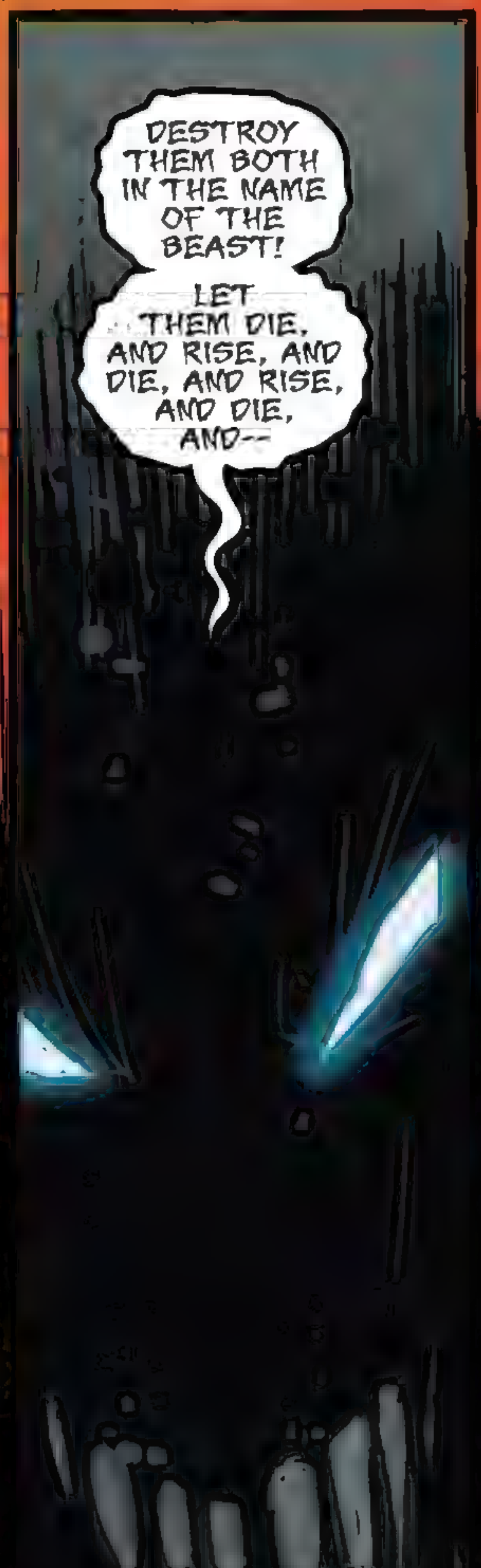
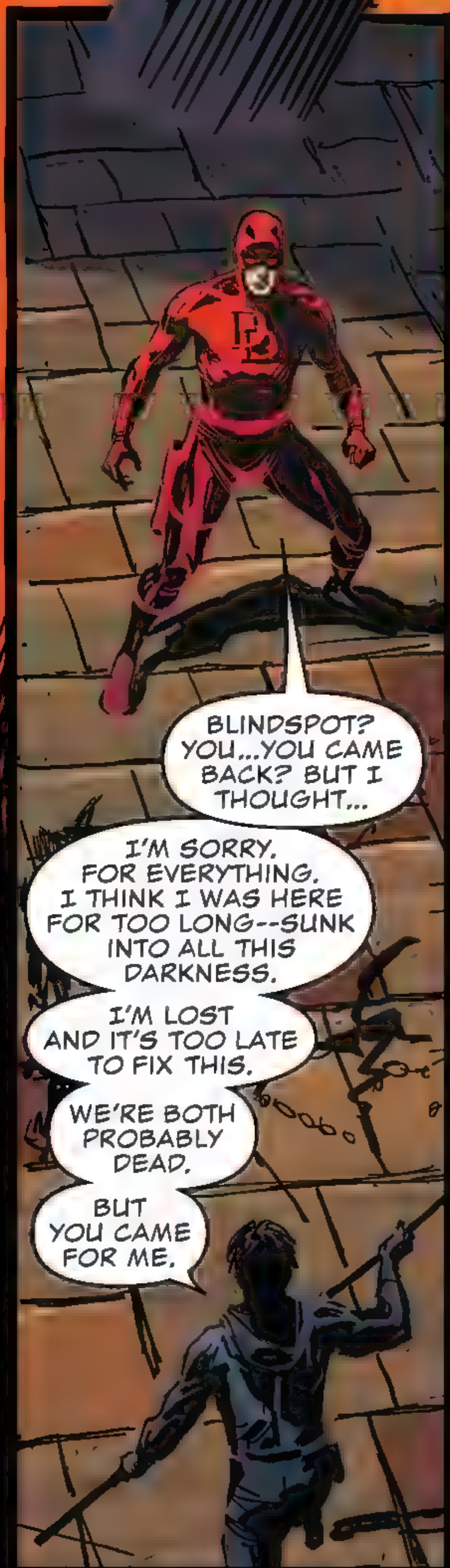
YOU FOOL. JUST STOP FIGHTING.

"...ONLY ONE THING MATTERS."

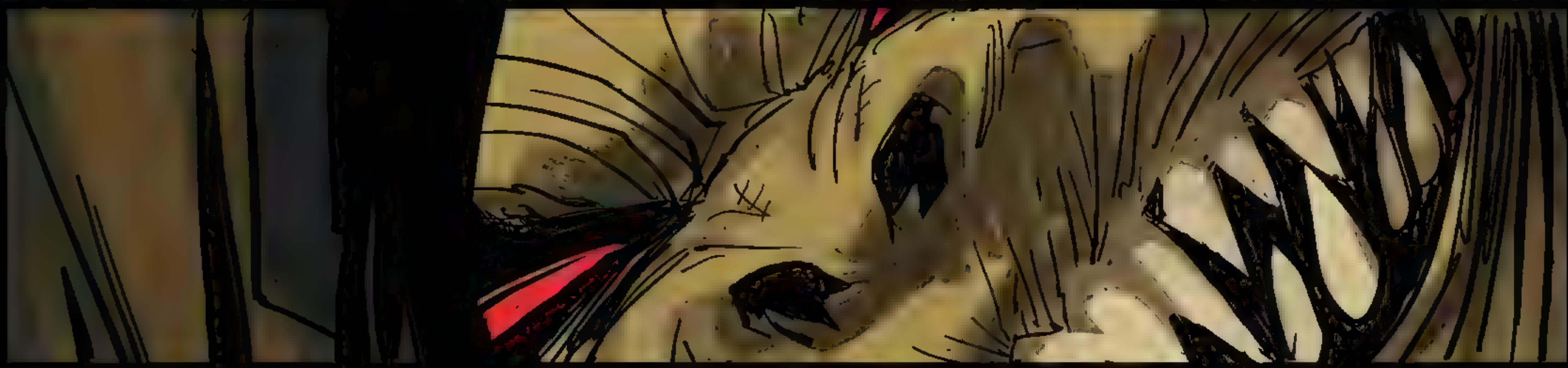
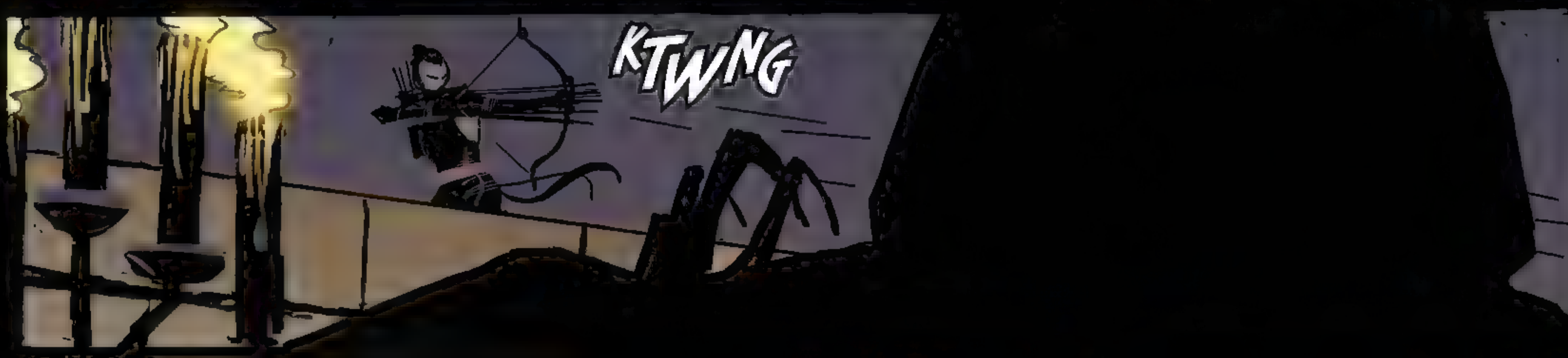
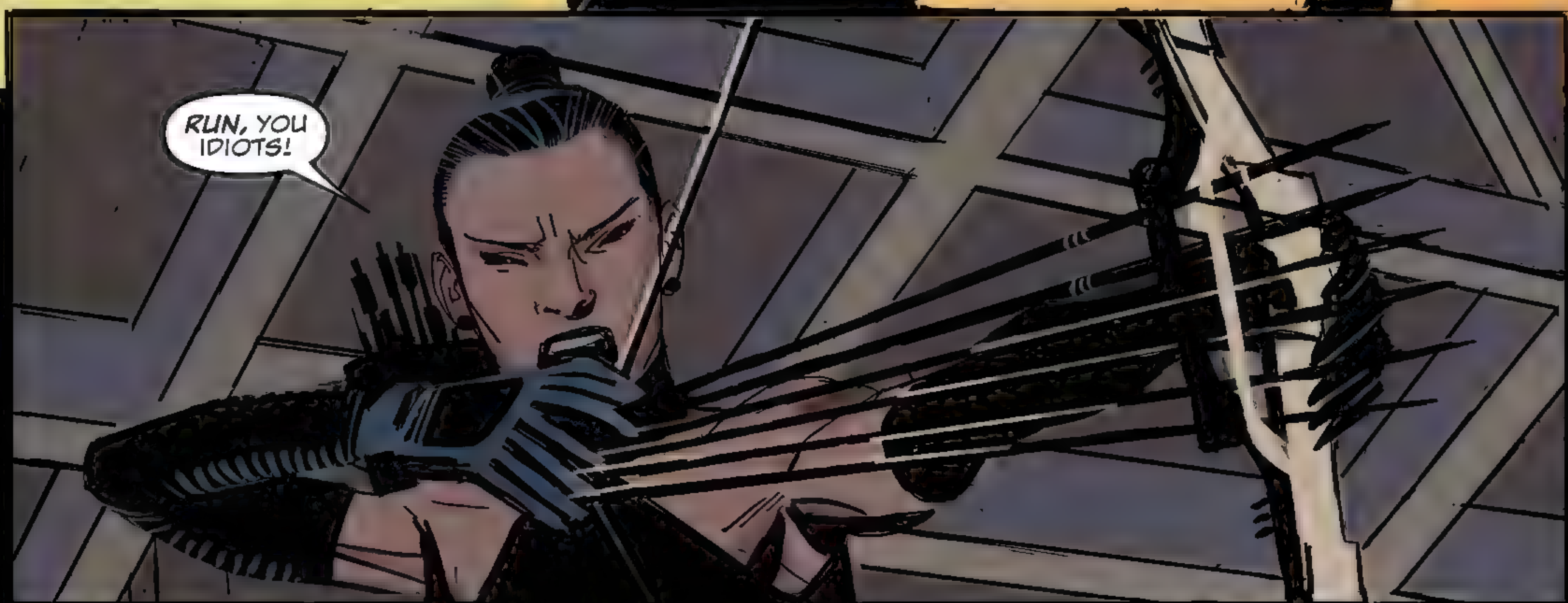




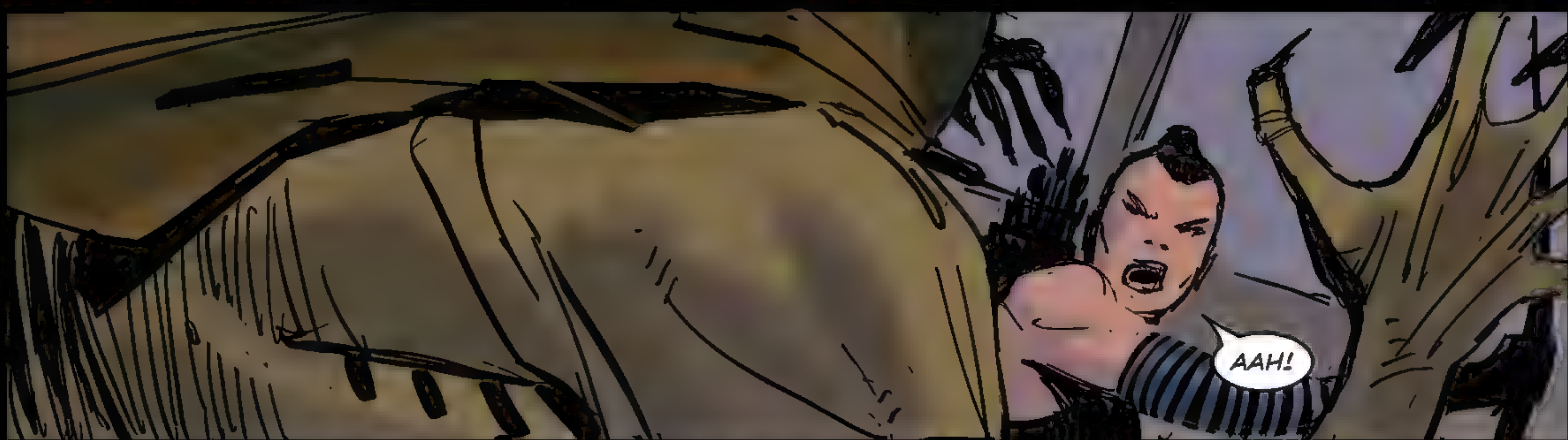
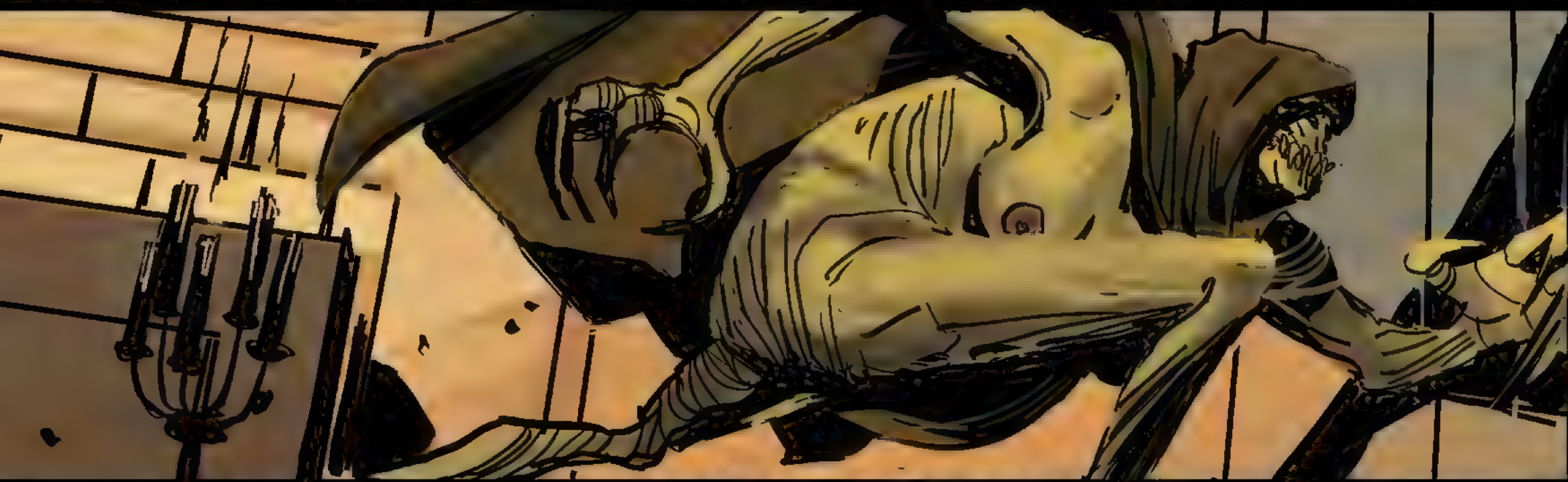






















ZHANGJIAJIE CITY,  
CHINA.

LATER.

IT'S  
BEEN DAYS, MATT,  
AND I STILL CAN'T  
UNDERSTAND.

THE BEAST  
HAD US...AND  
THEN IT JUST  
LEFT.

TELEPORTED  
ITS WHOLE DAMN  
TEMPLE AWAY WITH  
EVERYTHING IN IT.  
I MEAN...WHY?

SO  
SOMEDAY IT CAN  
COME BACK,  
SAM.

AND  
DO IT TO US  
AGAIN.

THEN WHAT'S  
THE POINT? WHY  
EVER HAVE HOPE AT  
ALL? SO SOMETHING  
CAN TAKE IT  
AWAY?

I THINK  
HAVING HOPE IS  
THE POINT OF HOPE.  
I DON'T KNOW. I JUST  
KNOW THAT I HAVE  
IT. AND SO DO  
YOU.

AFTER ALL, I  
CAME TO CHINA.  
AND YOU CAME  
BACK TO THAT  
TEMPLE.

YEAH.

OKAY.  
I LOST MY  
PASSPORT, MY  
PHONE, ALL OF THAT  
WHEN THE HOTEL  
FIGURED I WASN'T  
COMING BACK  
AFTER...

HUH.

HOW  
LONG DID  
YOU HAVE ME  
IN THAT  
PIT?

LONG  
TIME.

YEAH.  
FELT LIKE  
IT.

I CAN GET  
US HOME, THOUGH.  
I'VE ALREADY BEEN IN  
TOUCH WITH THE  
EMBASSY.

MIGHT  
TAKE A LITTLE  
WRANGLING, BUT THIS  
COULD ACTUALLY WORK  
WELL FOR AN ASYLUM  
CLAIM FOR YOU.

HOME.  
WHERE THE HELL  
IS THAT?

YOU WANT  
TO KNOW WHY I  
REALLY BECAME  
BLINDSPOT?

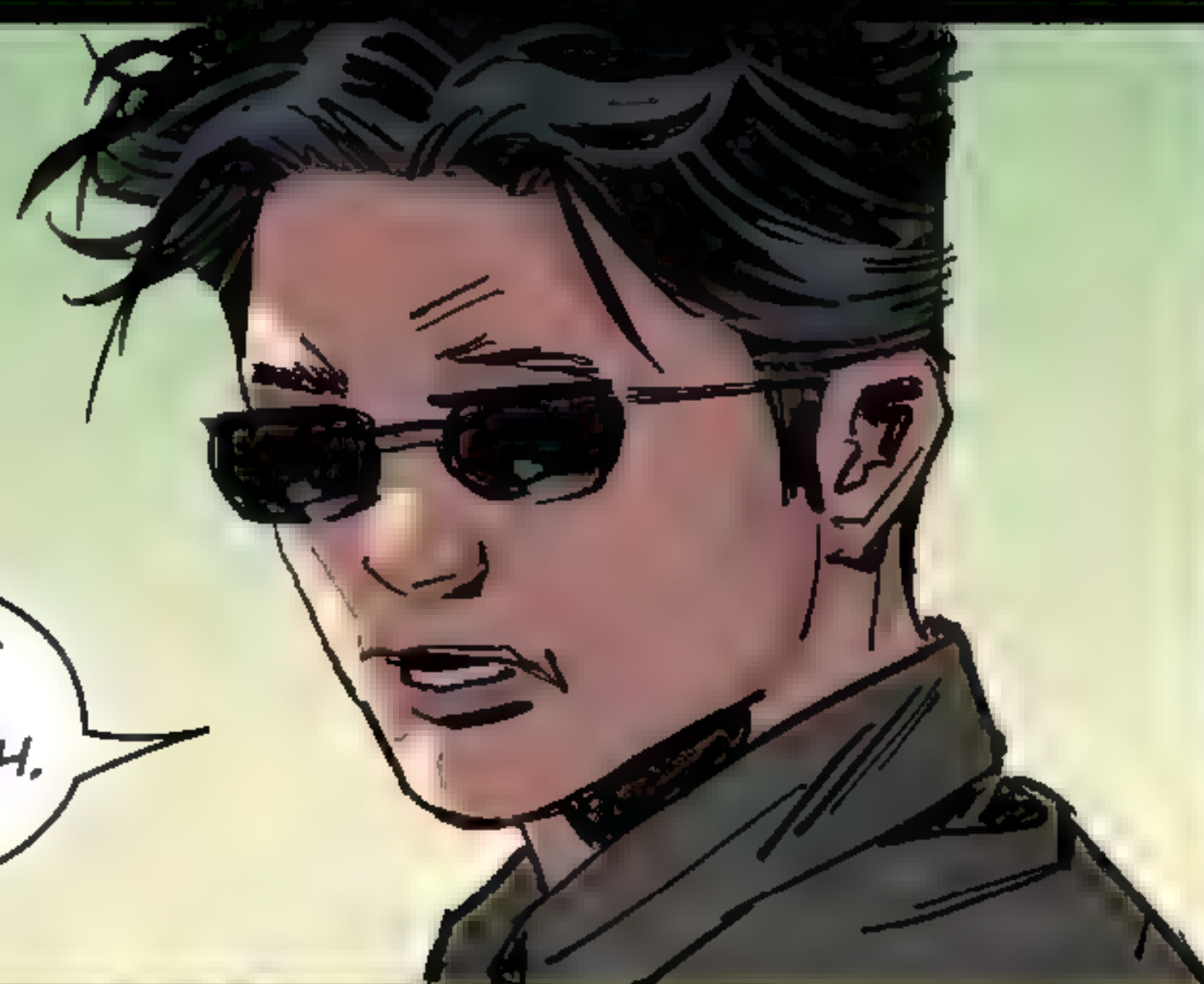


I DESIGNED AN INVISIBILITY SUIT. I SHOULD HAVE SOLD IT TO SOME TECH COMPANY FOR A BILLION DOLLARS.

BUT I DIDN'T, BECAUSE I'M NOT LEGAL IN THE U.S. I THOUGHT THEY'D TAKE IT AWAY FROM ME, CHEAT ME.

I FIGURED IF I BECAME A HERO, ONE OF YOU GUYS MIGHT HELP ME. TONY STARK, MAYBE.

I DIDN'T BECOME BLINDSPOT TO HELP. I DID IT BECAUSE I'M SELFISH. TO BECOME VALUABLE.



VALUABLE? SAM, YOU WERE ALWAYS--

YOU DON'T SEE IT. YOU'RE FROM THERE. YOU TAKE IT FOR GRANTED.

I COULD LOSE EVERYTHING AT ANY TIME. GET DEPORTED, LOSE MY WHOLE LIFE. SO I KEEP MY HEAD DOWN. WE ALL DO.

YOU SAY I'M VALUABLE. FINE. BUT YOU KNOW HOW MANY MES THERE ARE OUT HERE?

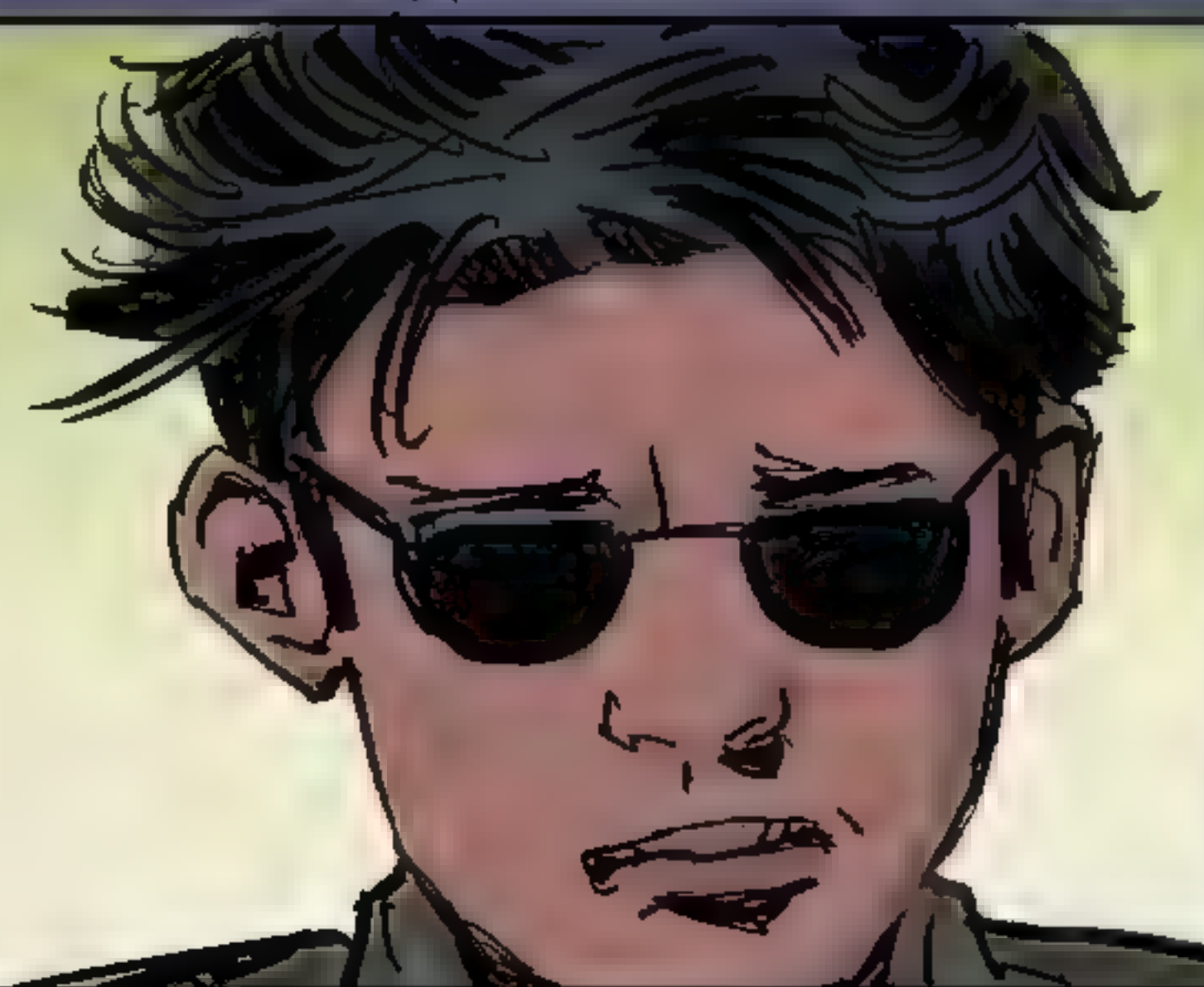


WHAT'S THE PERCENTAGE OF GENIUSES IN THE POPULATION? ONE PERCENT?

SEVENTY THOUSAND GENIUSES, TOO AFRAID TO SHOW IT. AND THEN THE BIGGIES--MOZARTS AND EINSTEINS--SAY THEY'RE ONE IN A MILLION.

THE U.S. HAS SEVEN MILLION UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS. ONE PERCENT IS SEVENTY THOUSAND.

THAT'S STILL SEVEN. SEVEN COLTRANES, MICHAEL JORDANS, HEDY LAMARRS, MARIE CURIES, PRINCES, SERENA WILLIAMS. LOST.



LAND OF THE BRAVE? LAND OF THE BLIND.

NO OFFENSE.

NONE TAKEN. LISTEN, I UNDERSTAND--AT LEAST AS MUCH AS I CAN FROM WHERE I SIT.

BUT ASK YOURSELF SOMETHING, SAM.



ISN'T THAT WHY YOU SHOULD GO BACK?





JFK AIRPORT.  
NEW YORK CITY.

It wasn't easy to  
get Sam back here.

But I have a lot of friends in Washington  
these days, after the Slugansky win.  
Some judiciously applied pressure at the  
consulate, and here we are.

Home sweet  
home.

I filed an asylum claim for  
Sam with CBP. He's good for  
one year on that.

We'll still need to prove it's  
dangerous for him to stay in  
China, but he's got an evil ninja  
clan after him. If that's not  
enough, nothing is.

Especially since Daredevil can testify in court  
about what he saw back there, thanks to a  
certain recent Supreme Court ruling, natch.

It'll be tough, but I  
think we'll get there.

I believe  
in the syst--

Wait.  
WHAT?

YOUR  
PHONE. I NEED  
TO BORROW  
IT.

UH...  
WHAT?

I...I  
GUESS?

PLEASE.  
I'M BLIND. I NEED  
YOUR PHONE.

FOGGY.  
IT'S ME.

MATT!  
WHERE THE  
HELL HAVE YOU  
BEEN? DO YOU KNOW  
HOW MANY TIMES I  
TRIED TO CALL  
YOU?

I WAS...I WAS  
OUT OF THE LOOP. LISTEN,  
I JUST LANDED AT JFK, AND  
I HEARD PEOPLE SAYING...IT'S  
IMPOSSIBLE. THERE'S  
NO WAY.

BUDDY,  
THAT'S WHY I WAS  
CALLING.







**MARVEL** LEGACY

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